

friend, Annette Tillemann, whom he later married. He first came to the United States on an academic scholarship in 1947. He earned a Master's Degree in economics from the University of Washington in Seattle and a Ph.D. in economics from the University of California at Berkeley, teaching economics at San Francisco State University for several years before being elected to Congress in 1980.

"Representative Lantos's legacy has meant so much to our community," said Ettelbrick. "We are truly grateful for his unwavering commitment to human rights. We send our deepest condolences to his wife and family, and are honored to pay tribute to his extraordinary legacy on LGBTI rights by posthumously presenting him with our OUT-SPOKEN Award."

#### SUPPORTING THE GOALS AND IDEALS OF NATIONAL SEXUAL ASSAULT AWARENESS AND PREVENTION MONTH

SPEECH OF

**HON. BETTY McCOLLUM**

OF MINNESOTA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Wednesday, April 30, 2008*

Ms. McCOLLUM of Minnesota. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in support Concurrent Resolution 330, supporting the goals and ideals of National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month.

I am proud to be a cosponsor of this resolution, which urges national and community organizations, private businesses, colleges and universities to promote awareness of sexual violence and encourage strategies to decrease the incidence of sexual assault.

We have heard the frightening statistics too many times: 1 in 6 women and 1 in 33 men have been victims of rape or attempted rape; a person in the United States is sexually assaulted every two-and-a-half minutes; one in four college-aged women has been sexually assaulted. These numbers do not even take into account the assaults that go unreported by victims too scared to notify law enforcement or too far from sexual assault victim centers.

National Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month is a time to educate the American public about the unacceptable extent to which this form of violence has become common in the United States. But this month must also be a time to focus on the solutions so that come next April we can instead announce statistics measuring the progress we have made in bringing an end to sexual violence.

In communities throughout the United States, women and men are working tirelessly to develop and implement innovative programs critical to the prevention and treatment of sexual assault. In Minnesota's Fourth District, Ramsey County developed the Runaway Intervention Project, which provides counseling and support for girls who have run away—or are at risk of running away—to reduce their danger of being sexual victimized. The County also reached out to men by creating the Men's Line hotline for men to call and receive guidance on practicing healthy, peaceful relationships. According to the National Network to End Domestic Violence, in one day, over 53,000 American men, women and children

use sexual assault services like these and others.

During Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month, I encourage my colleagues to learn about and promote organizations in their Districts that work to prevent sexual assault, treat its survivors and prosecute its perpetrators to bring an end to this violent crisis. Madam Speaker, I urge my colleagues to join me in supporting this resolution and honoring those working across the country to bring an end to violence in our communities.

#### HONORING THE LIFE AND WORKS OF Nanci Burton

**HON. LYNN C. WOOLSEY**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 6, 2008*

Ms. WOOLSEY. Madam Speaker, it is with great sadness that I rise today to recognize the passing of one of our notable local officials and a pioneer in public service, former Santa Rosa Mayor Nanci Burton. Mayor Burton died of cancer last month, at the age of 65, leaving a legacy of goodwill and good works throughout the area.

Nanci was the second woman to serve on the Santa Rosa City Council when she won her first election in 1984. She was elected mayor in 1986 and again in 1991. She once said she entered public life at a time when women were asked such questions as, "Sweetheart, do you really understand how a business operates?" As the bookkeeper for her husband's business, she could answer with an honest and resounding, "Yes."

Nanci started her two decades of public service on the Santa Rosa planning commission and other boards. She believed that if you want change, you have to get involved.

"She was a fierce advocate for the city, the neighborhoods and all its citizens," said Dan Galvin, a friend who served on her first election campaign. "She left her mark on projects and causes throughout the city."

Nanci was not only effective, with an impressive resume of accomplishments, but she was fun. "What many people will remember most about Burton," notes the Press Democrat editorial, "was her spirited participation in the job at hand, her hometown pride, the joy she took in her children and grandchildren—and her infectious laugh, which livened many dull meetings."

Madam Speaker, Nanci Burton was a treasure to the city of Santa Rosa and its surrounding areas. She will be greatly missed.

#### IN RECOGNITION OF SANDY LUCAS

**HON. DENNIS A. CARDOZA**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 6, 2008*

Mr. CARDOZA. Madam Speaker, it is with the greatest pleasure that I rise today to honor a woman who has become a fixture in local politics in my District. Sandy Lucas is not an elected official or a paid political operative, but has become what can only be described as the voice of common sense in our community.

After graduating from the University of Arizona, with a bachelor's degree in history,

Sandy began her career in public service in 1974 as Director of the Counseling Job Corps in San Jose. In 1975, she became Director of Polydrug Abuse and Heroin Detox for Santa Clara County. By 1976, Sandy had obtained her license as a Marriage and Family Therapist. She currently serves as the Director of Family and Probate for Stanislaus County.

While Sandy's list of professional achievements is lengthy, it is her accomplishments as a volunteer on local government boards that make her the "go to" person when gauging the pulse of the community. As a member of the Modesto School Bond Committee, she worked to successfully pass much needed school bonds. She has served for 6 years on the Stanislaus County Commission on Aging, and most recently acted as a member of the Modesto City Charter Review Committee, working hard to update antiquated rules governing a city of more than 200,000.

Sandy Lucas has also been active on a statewide level with the Democratic Party. She spent several years as a California Democratic Party Regional Director, ensuring the voice of California's Central Valley was heard by party leaders.

Being heard has never been a problem for Sandy Lucas. Her quick wit, tempered reactions, and oh so colorful responses to various occurrences in our community have garnered the respect of area leaders. Sandy's training as a mediator has served her well in politics and given her the ability to see highly divisive issues from every angle, thus bringing workable solutions to the table.

On May 2, 2008, Sandy will receive the coveted Liberty Bell Award from the Stanislaus County Bar Association for all of the aforementioned reasons. Sandy has been a gem to our community, and I am honored, Madam Speaker, to have this opportunity to thank her for her selfless service and wish her the very best in continued community involvement.

#### A TRIBUTE TO JAN SCHORI

**HON. DORIS O. MATSUI**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

*Tuesday, May 6, 2008*

Ms. MATSUI. Madam Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Jan Schori's 14 years of service as general manager of the Sacramento Municipal Utility District. Ms. Schori leaves a lasting legacy in Sacramento and her leadership and expertise will be deeply missed. I ask all my colleagues to join me in honoring one of Sacramento's finest public servants.

After earning her bachelor's degree in political science from the University of California, Berkeley, and her law degree from the University of California, Davis, Ms. Schori has spent nearly the last three decades advocating for environmentally friendly and affordable energy in Sacramento. She began her career with SMUD in 1979 as an attorney; and spent 15 years on the utility's legal staff, five of which were as their general counsel. In February of 1994 she was appointed as SMUD's general manager. During her time with SMUD, Ms. Schori has held various other leadership positions in the utility industry. She has served as chair on the boards of the American Public